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1 THE ATLANTIC TREATY ASSOCIATION ENDED ITS 19TH ANNUAL ASSEMBLY IN BRUSSELS ON SEPTEMBER 14 WITH THE ISSUANCE OF A

GENERAL RESOLUTION COVERING ATLANTIC RELATIONS, MILITARY POLICY, ECONOMIC AND MONETARY POLICY AND THE UK/ICELAND DISPUTE.

- 2. THE RESOLUTION CALLS THE RESULTS OF THE SEPTEMBER 10-11 COPENHAGEN MEETING OF THE EC FOREIGN MINISTERS A "CONSTRUCTIVE RESPONSE" TO DR. KISSINGER'S APRIL 1973 SPEECH AND EXPRESSES THE HOPE THAT FUTURE TRANSATLANTIC EXCHANGES WILL DISPEL DIFFERENCES THAT HAVE ARISEN BETWEEN THE US AND WESTERN EUROPE. THE RESOLUTION CALLS ON ALLIES AND THE EC "TO EXERCISE EFFECTIVE LEADERSHIP IN IMPROVING AND RESTRUCTURING TRADE, MONETARY, AGRICULTURE AND DEFENSE POLICIES, AND IN DEVISING APPROPRIATE POLICIES FOR THE PRESSING PROBLEMS OF ENERGY SUPPLY, ECOLOGY AND RELATIONS WITH DEVELOPING NATIONS."
- 3. ON THE QUESTION OF US FORCES IN EUROPE, THE RESOLUTION STATES THAT REDUCTIONS SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ONLY WITHIN THE MBFR FRAMEWORK. ON BURDENSHARING, "THE ASSEMBLY BELIEVES
 THAT THE TIME HAS COME FOR THE ALLIANCE TO ESTABLISH A NEW
 POLICY FOR HANDLING THE FINANCIAL CONSEQUENCES OF MILITARY
 DECISIONS AND PROCUREMENT. THAT POLICY SHOULD REST ON TWO
 PRINCIPLES: THAT EACH COUNTRY SHOULD CONTRIBUTE TO THE
 FINANCIAL BURDEN IN PROPORTION TO ITS RESOURCES; AND THAT
 MILITARY DEPLOYMENTS AND PROCUREMENTS SHOULD HAVE THE
 LEAST POSSIBLE EFFECT ON THE BALANCE OF PAYMENTS OF ANY MEMBER
 COUNTRY."
- 4. THE RESOLUTION SUPPORTS THE INCREASED USE AND STRENGTHENING OF THE IMF, GATT AND OECD, AND RECOMMENDS THAT THE DIALOGUE WITH JAPAN SHOULD TAKE PLACE WITHIN THESE ORGANIZATIONS.
- 5. WITH RESPECT TO ICELAND, THE RESOLUTION URGES THE TWO DISPUTING COUNTRIES TO REACH NEGOTIATED STTLEMENT AND SAYS THAT "THE WITHDRAWAL OF THE ROYAL NAY FOR A PERIOD OF TIME LONG ENOUGH TO ESTABLISH WHETHER THERE IS A BASIS FOR SERIOUS NEGOTIATIONS COULD BE AN IMPORTANT FIRST IN THIS DIRECTION."
- 6. IN A SEPARATE RESOLUTION OF THE ATA INFORMATION
 COMMITTEE, NATIONAL COMMITTEES ARE REQUESTED TO SEEK GOVERNMENT
 SUPPORT FOR THE RESEARCH ACTIVITIES OF RADIO FREE EUROPE AND
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